

645—101.8(156) Licensure by endorsement. An applicant who has been a licensed funeral director under the laws of another jurisdiction shall file an application for licensure by endorsement with the board office. Applicants licensed before 1980 are exempt from showing a passing grade on the national board examination. The board may receive by endorsement any applicant from the District of Columbia or another state, territory, province or foreign country who:

101.8(1) Submits to the board a completed application;

101.8(2) Pays the licensure fee;

101.8(3) Shows evidence of licensure requirements that are similar to those required in Iowa;

101.8(4) Provides official copies of the academic transcripts showing the completion of a mortuary science program accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education;

101.8(5) Provides official transcript of grades showing 60 semester hours from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum of a 2.0 or “C” grade point average;

101.8(6) Prior to July 1, 2007, successfully passes an examination covering the Iowa law and rules for mortuary science with a score of at least 75 percent or a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. Beginning July 1, 2007, an applicant must complete a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed;

101.8(7) Furnishes certified evidence of two or more years of actual practice as a licensed funeral director in the state from which the applicant desires to endorse;

101.8(8) Was issued the initial license by endorsement within six months of the birth month and will not be required to renew the license until the fifteenth day of the birth month two years later. The new licensee is exempt from meeting the continuing education requirement for the continuing education biennium in which the license was originally issued;

101.8(9) Provides verification of license(s) from every jurisdiction in which the applicant has been licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) to the board office. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification direct from the jurisdiction’s board office if the verification provides:

- a.* Licensee’s name;
- b.* Date of initial licensure;
- c.* Current licensure status; and
- d.* Any disciplinary action taken against the license.